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SUBJECT: VOLUNTARY VISITORS: VISIT OF FIVE MAYORS FROM US  
SECTOR OF BERLIN

REF: (A) USBERLIN 1009, (B) KORNBLUM-BECKER TELECON,  
APRIL 19

1. SUMMARY: SPOKESMAN FOR FIVE MAYORS SAID THEY NOT  
EXPECTING VIP TREATMENT IN US. THEY MAY CONTACT  
GERMAN REPRESENTATION FOR ASSISTANCE WITH MEDIA  
CONTACTS. MAYORS WILL PAY FOR ALL TRANSPORTATION,  
INCLUDING TAXIS FROM ONE MEETING TO ANOTHER; THEY ARE  
NOT EXPECTING HOSPITALITY. END SUMMARY.

2. MIS OFF MET ON APRIL 20 WITH MAYOR ROTHKEGEL,  
SPOKESMAN FOR FIVE MAYORS VISITING US FROM  
APRIL 21 TO MAY 8, TO GO OVER LAST MINUTE QUESTIONS  
POSED IN REF (B). MISOFF CONVINCED ROTHKEGEL OF  
UTILITY OF A LEAST MAKING CONTACT WITH GERMAN  
REPRESENTAATION IN CITIES TO BE VISITED (NEW YORK,  
WASHINGTON, CHICAGO, ATLANTA, NEW ORLEANS, DALLAS  
AND SAN FRANCISCO IN THAT ORDER). ROTHKEGEL AGREED  
THAT THIS WOULD BE USEFUL FOR MAKING CONTACT WITH  
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LOCAL MEDIA. ACCORDINGLY, HE IS OBTAINING FROM  
SENATOR FOR FEDERAL AFFAIRS STOBBE NAMES AND TELEPHONE  
NUMBERS OF APPROPRIATE GERMAN OFFICIALS IN US.  
(NOTE: EARLIER ON APRIL 20, STOBBE INFORMED MISOFF  
THAT GERMAN EMBASSY AND UN MISSION HAD BEEN ADVISED  
OF VISIT AND THEY WERE PREPARED TO DO WHAT THEY  
COULD FOR GROUP IF ASKED.)

3. ROTHKEGEL EMPHASIZED THAT GROUP OF MAYORS DO NOT EXPECT VIP TREATMENT IN US. THEY DO NOT EXPECT, FOR EXAMPLE, THAT ANYONE WILL BE PROVIDING TRANSPORTATION FOR THEM AND THEY PLAN TO USE TAXIS OR OTHER PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION IN GOING FROM ONE MEETING TO ANOTHER. THEY ASSUME THAT EXCORT-INTERPRETER WILL PAY FOR HIS/HER TRANSPORTATION, HOWEVER.

4. MAYORS ARE AWARE THERE WILL BE NO PROGRAM ON WEEKENDS AND WELCOME THIS AS IT WILL GIVE THEM OPPORTUNITY TO DO SIGHTSEEING ON THEIR OWN. ROTHKEGEL, WHO HAD LEADER GRANT IN 1953, IS AWARE FROM PERSONAL EXPERIENCE THAT PROGRAM MAY VARY FROM ONE CITY TO ANOTHER BECAUSE OF THE VARYING ABILITIES OF THE VOLUNTEERS INVOLVED.

5. MAYORS ARE NOT EXPECTING TO BE ENTERTAINED WHILE IN US (ALTHOUGH THEY LOOKING FORWARD TO DINNER WITH GENERAL STEVENSON AND NATURALLY WOULD WELCOME OTHER HOME HOSPITALITY IF OFFERED.) THEY WOULD, HOWEVER, LIKE TO INVITE THREE OR FOUR DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS TO DINNER EVENING OF MONDAY, APRIL 25 TO EXPRESS THEIR APPRECIATION FOR OPPORTUNITY TO VISIT US. (MISSION SUGGESTS TWO BERLIN DESK OFFICERS AND RESPONSIBLE IVP/V OFFICIAL MIGHT WISH TO ACCEPT THIS INVITATION.) ONLY STIPULATION IS THAT DEPT OFFICIALS PICK OUT RESTAURANT, WHICH MUST BE A GOOD ONE (NOT JUST DEVOTED TO STEAK); MAYORS WILL PICK UP THE UNCLASSIFIED

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TAB. PLEASE LEAVE WORD ON RESTAURANT, TIME AND WHO WILL ATTEND AT MAYFLOWER HOTEL FOR MAYOR ROTHKEGEL.

6. MAYOR ROTHKEGEL SAID THAT AT EVERY HOTEL, RESERVATIONS WERE TO HAVE BEEN MADE FOR FIVE MAYORS AND ONE ESCORT INTERPRETER. THIS WOULD ACCOUNT FOR THE RESERVATIONS FOR SIX AT SOME HOTELS. THE HOTEL IN CHICAGO IS HYATT REGENCY ON E. WACKER DRIVE. HOTEL IN DALLAS IS NOT STATLER HILTON, ACCORDING TO ROTHKEGEL. HOWEVER, FINAL WORD ON THAT HOTEL NOT EXPECTED UNTIL APRIL 21. WILL ADVISE.

7. MAYORS ARE VERY RELAXED ABOUT TRIP AND LOOKING FORWARD TO INTERESTING, INFORMATIVE VISIT TO US. THEY UNDERSTAND THAT THEY WILL BE ON THEIR OWN MUCH OF THE TIME (WITH ESCORT-INTERPRETER) AND LOOKING FORWARD TO IT. ROTHKEGEL SAID HE HOPED ESCORT-INTERPRETER WOULD BE A WOMAN TO HELP LEAVEN ATMOSPHERE ON TRIP THROUGHOUT US. GEORGE

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